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From 9 to 11 April 1951, Soviet troop movements were observed in the area west of Sonneberg (M 51/I 40), particularly in the Murschnitz-Schichtshoehn area and at Effelder. Most of the troops were equipped with 100 mm motorized artillery pieces and with light and heavy AA guns. Some of them bivouacked in the woods. 50X1-HUM the troops were engaged in field exercises close to the zonal border. *

- * 50X1-HUM Comment. Component units of the 39th Gds Itz Rifle Div possibly conducted field exercises in the Sonneberg area prior to going to Ohrdruf for summer training. 50X1-HUM the field exercises may have extended as far as the Hildburghausen-Meiningen area.

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